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SOURCE [REDACTED]

1. On 5 May 1951, the Friedrich Franz Kaserne in Neuruppin (N 53/Z 49) still quartered about 1,400 troops. The signal unit, which was previously reported to have left the telegraph construction office, had not returned. On 1 May, 21 officers and 600 men, some of whom wore artillery insignia, marched out of the barracks installation to attend the May Day celebration at the athletic field. No recruits participated. Sixteen units of 44 recruits each assembled in the barracks yard on 4 May. The recruits wore red-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia and were armed with carbines. [REDACTED]

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2. On 5 May, the See Kaserne was still occupied by about 1,200 troops. Two colonels, 6 majors and 14 units of about 60 men each left the installation on 1 May to participate in the May Day celebration. Recruits remained at the installation. The May Day celebration at the athletic field involved about 4,000 troops, of whom from 1,500 to 2,000 subsequently returned to the Fridericus Kaserne, while the others marched to the city. Vehicles which left the See Kaserne on 4 May [REDACTED]

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3. On 5 May, the Fridericus Kaserne still quartered about 5,000 troops. Units totaling about 600 soldiers left the installation on 3 May. Vehicles which were seen leaving the billeting area on 4 May included nine T-34/85 tanks, four of which were [REDACTED]

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4. On 9 May, trucks with consecutive numbers [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] a main railroad station and drove to the former Gentzrode estate, six km north of Neuruppin. The trucks were occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia. ***

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